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TO: Mayor Linda Gorton
Urban County Council

FROM: 8/31/26
Mark Sander, P.E., Interim Director
Division of Water Quality

DATE: September 1, 2026

SUBJECT: Recommendation for a FY27 (Class B Education) Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant for Bluegrass Area Development District, Inc.

Request

The purpose of this memorandum is to request approval of an FY27 (Class B Education) Stormwater Quality Projects Incentive Grant for Bluegrass Area Development District, Inc., in the amount of $39,999.60.

Purpose of Request

The purpose of the project is to implement another year-long public education and involvement campaign focused on stormwater management in the Lexington-Fayette Community. This project will host water quality educational opportunities including the "Empower Program", a public education and involvement campaign designed to empower residents to improve their water quality and address water quantity on their own property. The program includes a series of rain barrel workshops and several public and classroom educational components developed to engage preK-12 youth and their families to understand their connection to water and its importance throughout the city.

Project Cost in FY27 and in Future Budget Years

The grant has been approved for FY 2027 funding by the Water Quality Fees Board in the amount of $39,999.60.

Are Funds Budgeted

Funds are budgeted in: 4052 – 303204 – 3373 – 78112 – WQINCENTIVE_27 – WQ_GRANT

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